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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7176**

**BILL NUMBER: HB 1146**

**DATE PREPARED:** Jan 5, 2002

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Electronic Reports to the Legislature.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED:** ☒ **GENERAL**  
☒ **DEDICATED**  
**FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill requires various state agencies that: (1) are required by law to produce an annual or other report for the entire General Assembly or the Legislative Council; or (2) voluntarily produce a report for the entire General Assembly or the Legislative Council; to submit the report in electronic form instead of sending paper copies. It requires the submitting agency to cause the report to be electronically mailed to each legislator and posted on the Internet. The bill requires the Legislative Services Agency (LSA) to periodically compile all of the reports received from state agencies on a CD-ROM or other electronic medium for distribution to members of the General Assembly upon request. It also requires the LSA, under the direction of the Code Revision Commission, to prepare legislation for the 2003 regular session to make conforming amendments to statutes that contain annual report requirements.

**Effective Date:** Upon passage; July 1, 2002.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** The number of reports sent to the General Assembly and the Legislative Council will vary from year to year. Statute specifies that about 40 reports are to be sent to the General Assembly or the Legislative Council. The bill should reduce the printing and postage costs for state agencies since the reports would be sent to the members' Senate or House of Representatives electronic mail address. The posting of the reports by the agencies on the Internet could create a minimal expense if the agency does not currently have computer capabilities. However, most state agencies do have the ability to post reports on the Internet.

LSA would have minimal expense associated with the compiling of the report on a CD-ROM or other suitable storage medium.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

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**State Agencies Affected:** All state agencies that provide reports to the legislature; Legislative Services Agency.

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:**